



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Appl. No. : 09/994,972 Confirmation No. 2945
 Applicant : CHARETTE
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Response to Office Action

Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 25, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application as follows: